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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

AMENDMENT TO SPECIFICATION

On Page 1, line 1, after RELATED APPLICATION DATA:

Delete after "This application is a" **and before** "35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/EP0201070, filed February 1, 2002" the following:

----- continuation under -----.

Thus, the sentence will read as follows:

This application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/EP0201070, filed February 1, 2002.

This amendment has been approved by Attorney Slaby on May 16, 2008.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HERBERT J. LILLING whose telephone number is 571-272-0918. The examiner can normally be reached on WORK AT HOME MAXIFLEX.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JON WEBER can be reached on 571-272-0925. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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